

Eryri (Snowdonia) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 22 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 23 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 22 Dec 2023 at 00:46

Confidence: High confidence for windy conditions until Boxing Day with periods of gales for the first few days, showery conditions on Friday and Saturday may make walking conditions poor with spells of poor visibility.

Headline for Friday 22 Dec 2023: Showers at time, especially in the north of Snowdonia, otherwise a few bright spells but mostly cloudy and remaining very windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 22 Dec 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

Low Likelihood

Gales

High Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Low Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
60%	40%	30%	20%	20%	20%

Forecast for Friday 22 Dec 2023

Weather: Scattered blustery rain will move over Snowdonia at times, especially in the morning, mostly cloudy in between showers and quite dull. Very gusty winds around showers. A few brighter spots further south and east towards Bala during the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, low cloud associated with showers throughout the day.

Low Cloud and visibility: Scattered cloud above 500m can be expected throughout the day, cloud may clear briefly out with showers but as showers gather it will become more broken. Visibility will be moderate or good out with showers but turning poor in showers temporarily.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	53/64 W	48/61 W	44/57 W	42/54 W	39/50 W	37/48 W	41/54 W
600	38/48 W	34/46 W	32/44 W	30/42 W	27/38 W	27/37 W	29/41 W
300	27/44 W	24/42 W	23/39 W	21/37 W	19/34 W	18/32 W	20/36 W
Valley	27/44 W	24/42 W	23/40 W	22/38 W	20/35 W	19/34 W	21/37 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	4/-5	3/-6	3/-5	3/-5	3/-5	3/-5	4/-3
600	6/-1	5/-2	5/-2	5/-1	5/-1	5/-1	6/0
300	8/3	7/3	7/3	8/3	8/3	7/3	8/4
Valley	9/5	9/4	9/5	9/5	9/5	9/5	9/6
Freezing Level*	1500m	1300m	1300m	1400m	1300m	1500m	1600m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Meteorologist's View

Feeling cold in the mountains in the very strong winds, especially gusty around any showers.

Forecast for Saturday 23 Dec 2023

Weather: Light rain or drizzle expected for much of the day on Saturday with strong westerly winds continuing. The best conditions will be found in the east. Perhaps some drier conditions during the afternoon but remaining mostly cloudy and quite dull.

Maximum wind: Westerly 30-35mph gusts 40-45mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%, persistent low cloud particularly in the west, brighter further south and east.

Low Cloud and visibility: Perhaps some cloud free tops during the morning but low cloud tending to form especially around northwestern tops like Snowdon, becoming broken with bases above 500m. Visibility will be moderate or poor for much of the day.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

Ground Conditions Supplement

Please see - <https://yrwyddfa.live/>

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